

## Abstract

The invention relates to a locking device (1) for preventing two contactors (2a; 2b) from being simultaneously switched on. A locking element (14) is mounted in facing openings (6a; 6b) of the connecting sidewalls (4a; 4b) of the contactors (2a; 2b) in the form of a rolling body and engages into a spherical cup-type recess (12a or 12 b) of the actuating member (8a or 8b) of the respective contactor (2a or 2b) that is to be blocked from being switched on. The invention further relates to a fork-shaped auxiliary tool (20) for inserting the locking element (14) into the openings (6a; 6b).